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9. X	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10.	An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	annexes of the International Preliminary 8	Examination Report under PCT	
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:				
11. 🔲	An Information Disclosure Statement	under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12.	An assignment document for recording	g. A separate cover sheet in compliance w	ith 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	
13. X	A preliminary amendment.			
14. X	An Application Data Sheet under 37 C	CFR 1.76.		
15. X	A substitute specification.			
16.	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.			
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